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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The North Carolina Conference at Newbern will probably adjourn Monday. —— Bids for the construction of new warships were opened yesterday at the Navy Department, Washington. —— Renewed activity of American forces in the Philippines is reported. —— Differences have arisen between Portugal and the Netherlands concerning the Dutch consul at Lorenzo Marques; the rupture is regarded as a serious one. —— A negro man who assaulted a young white married woman in Wythe county, Va., was captured and killed by citizens. —— The House passed the Grout oleomargarine bill. —— Mrs. Joseph White was found murdered on her farm near Rome, Ga. —— Tug John S. Deering, of Beaufort, S. C., foundered in a gale off Hatteras. —— The Nicaragua Canal bill was considered by the Senate yesterday in executive session. —— Sir Claude McDonald and Lady McDonald are charged with looting the Imperial palace in Pekin. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call firm at 4@5 per cent., the last loan being at 5 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4@4½ per cent.; cotton dull, middling uplands 10⅛c; flour was rather easy, with less doing and bids lowered on account of the irregularity in wheat; wheat—spot steady; No. 2 red 78½c; corn—spot easier; No. 2, 46¼c; oats—spot quiet; No. 2, 26½c; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine dull and weak at 42@42½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 7.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 37 degrees; 8 P. M., 49 degrees; maximum, 55 degrees; minimum, 35 degrees; mean, 45 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, T; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 1 64.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M., 15 feet.

STORM WARNING.

A telegram from Washington, D. C., to the Weather Bureau station here at 9:45 last night ordered northeast signals displayed. The storm was central off the North Carolina coast; will move northeast, causing increasing and high northeast winds. Winds will shift to northwest on North Carolina coast Saturday morning.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—For North Carolina—Rain and cooler Saturday; high northeasterly, shifting to northwesterly winds. Sunday fair.

Port Almanac—December 8.

Sun Rises	6.57 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.46 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 49 M.
High Water at Southport.	9 05 A. M.
High Water Wilmington.	11.35 A. M.

Mrs. Langtry has another ex-husband.

The sun may never set on the British empire, but the British hen does.

Gen. Mercier was doubtless talking for buncombe when he was talking about the ease with which England could be invaded.

The Siberian and Central Asian wheat crop is reported at 134,580,000 bushels, 20,000,000 bushels less than the crop of last year.

The fire losses in this country this far for 1900, foot up $151,941,550, compared with $123,512,550 for the same period in 1899, and $106,938,400 for 1898.

The Duke of Manchester has by his bankruptcy lost his seat in the House of Lords, but he has secured a seat in Papa Zimmerman's house, which he considers better.

There is a whistling mania prevailing in St. Louis. Everybody has gone to whistling. Bound to run opposition to the "Windy City" if they have to run their own windmills.

Hanna says he doesn't want to be President; that he has "earned a rest." He has, and he has our full and free consent to take it right away and make it as long as he lives.

This country is some on iron making. Not including the smaller plants, there are twenty-four concerns, with a capital of $1,267,278,000, which can turn out 21,000,000 tons yearly.

The police of Chicago spread their dragnets early one day recently and in thirty-six hours had pulled in 400 pickpockets, hi[illegible]waymen, burglars, &c., and it was a right good time for netting, either.

A French scientist is said to have made an improvement on "burning the wind." He has invented an apparatus for "decomposing the air" so that we can burn it and heat and light up without coal or wood. It is simple too. Maybe we can bring the coal baron to taw yet.

THE N. C. CONFERENCE

Unusually Rapid Progress Being Made With Work of Annual Session.

MAY ADJOURN NEXT MONDAY

Dr. J. H. Pritchett Spoke Yesterday on Affairs in China--The Bishop's Love for Humor—Educational Meeting Last Night.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

NEWBERN, N. C., December 7.—Such rapid progress was made to day that reports from all the pastors were in, and were it not for the work in the hands of the boards and committees nothing would remain but the appointments for the next year. It is therefore probable that conference will adjourn Monday evening.

When Rev. R. J. Moorman's name was called he asked for superannuated relations on account of failing in health. His remarks started a sympathetic wave over the congregation, and at the close all joined in singing "Nearer My God to Thee."

A report from Dr. Peacock, president of Greensboro Female College, was read. That institution has one hundred and fifty-five students, and is doing a high class of work. There has been no serious sickness in the college for years.

Rev. D. H. Tuttle spoke eloquently for the Methodist churches damaged by the Galveston storm and $838 21 was raised for that cause.

Dr. J. H. Pritchett, missionary secretary, addressed the conference. He said, in part, there is no need for discouragement because of the Chinese trouble. Those on the ground consider that the prospect for the advancement of Christ's kingdom there was never brighter. Ever since England forced the opening of Chinese ports for the sale of opium the Powers have been aggressive, as the Chinese believe, with a view to partition or control of China. Every concession forced from Chinese authorities is collected from the poverty of the people, and they have been stirred by the belief that their new rulers would continue to yield to these demands until they would have no country. The Boxers have not exceeded in enormity our treatment of the Chinese on the Pacific coast. Left to themselves the Chinese are friendly to our religion. Give China Christ and she will develop a civilization better suited to her than the Western Powers can give her.

Bishop Morrison, speaking for the educational interests, said that an education was the best gift. I never ext pect to live in a home I can call my own, but if the Lord spares my life a few more years I do expect to leave the Church three educated Christian young men.

A resolution passed requesting Congress to repeal so much of the revenue law as imposes a tax upon legacies to charitable and religious institutions.

Rev. Sam. Jeffers and C. W. Smith asked for superannuated relations. Rev. J. E. Holden, J. A. Road, Lafayette Johnson, and N. C. Yearby were admitted on trial.

Dr. Swindell asked the Methodist men to help the Woman's Missionary Society to establish the Lucy A. Cunninggim home, and school in Corea and that all contributions be sent to Mrs. B. B. Adams, Four Oaks, N. C. Rev. Isaac W. Avent, L. O. Wyche and L. P. Picard were reported as having died the past year.

Among the bishop's bubbles was a play upon Rev. J. M. Lowder's name —"A Little Louder Lowder."

The educational meeting is being addressed by Dr. Kilgo to-night.

COTTON AND NAVAL STORES.

Weekly and Part Crop Year Receipts as Posted Yesterday Afternoon.

The comparative weekly and part crop year receipts of cotton and naval stores at the port of Wilmington were posted yesterday at the Produce Exchange as follows:

Week ended December 7th, 1900—Cotton, 10,738 bales; spirits, 463 casks; rosin, 4,809 barrels; tar, 1,836 barrels; crude, 514 barrels.

Week ended December 7th, 1899—Cotton, 14,859 bales; spirits, 529 casks; rosin, 6,482 barrels; tar, 2,185 barrels; crude, 254 barrels.

Crop year to December 7th, 1900—Cotton, 201,050 bales; spirits, 21,614 casks; rosin, 85,104 barrels; tar, 32,109 barrels; crude, 16,487 barrels.

Crop year to December 7th, 1899—Cotton, 184,264 bales; spirits, 25,151 casks; rosin, 104,764 barrels; tar, 42,316 barrels; crude, 9,196 barrels.

These are Successful Nimrods.

Messrs. C. F. Will Rehder, Jim McMillan and Hardy Schulken returned yesterday afternoon from a hunting expedition in Brunswick county. They went over the river Thursday and got down to work yesterday and had lots of success. A very fine buck was brought down by Mr. Rehder, a doe was killed by another of the party and the three summed up the total of other game with three large wild turkeys, about two dozen ducks and a bushel of small birds. This is no "fairy story" either, for they brought the game back with them.

Steamer Hurt's Inspection.

Steamboat hull and boiler inspectors are expected to-day to examine the *Hurt* since the recent installation of new machinery. The boat will then be ready to resume her schedule, leaving to-day or Monday for Fayetteville and intervening points.

LOCAL DOTS.

— British steamer *Kingswood* sailed yesterday from Port Royal, S. C., for Wilmington.

— The amateur photographers' dark room on the third floor of the Y. M. C. A. building is about completed.

— The Wilmington Stamp Works have just placed in their office an electric motor for their presses and machinery.

— Owen West, colored, of Castle Haynes, has been lodged in jail here for larceny. He will be tried at Criminal Court.

— Rev. A. D. McClure will preach Sunday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock at Pearsall's school house in East Wilmington.

— The schooner *Brothers* has finished discharging her cargo of fruit and will be loaded with shingles for Nassau by B. F. Keith Co.

— Deer appear to be very plentiful this season or the skill of the sportsmen has increased wonderfully. There is an abundance of venison on the market just now.

— Messrs. H. A. Tucker & Bros., the marble yard men, have recently shipped a car of granite curbing and posts for a cemetery inclosure at Orangeburg, S. C.

— The vestrymen of St. Paul's Episcopal Church met Thursday evening and elected Mr. R. H. Pickett, senior warden and Mr. Geo. O. Gaylord, junior warden.

— The tug *Alexander Jones* with the schooner *Oliver S. Barrett* in tow for Jacksonville passed out at Southport at 8 A. M. yesterday. The British steamship *Wandby* passed out at noon.

— Mrs. Geo. C. Worth met the Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church at the home of the pastor yesterday afternoon and spoke on life and work in China.

— Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, of Wilmington, who is attending the Baptist State Convention at Raleigh, addressed the students of Shaw University there yesterday morning. He will return in time to occupy his pulpit here as usual to-morrow.

— Rev. Lacy L. Little, of Anson county, a co worker of Dr. George C. Worth of this city, who visited him here a few weeks ago, was married in Shanghai on Oct. 31st, to Miss Ella C. Davidson, missionary in China of the Yorkville (S. C.) Presbyterian church.

— The STAR was presented yesterday by Mr. E. D. Pearsall, of Rocky Point, with a flask of the simon-pure "Simmon beer," so famous in North Carolina. This announcement may be received with some misgivings after the recent Senatorial primary but it's a fact nevertheless.

— The STAR through mistake yesterday stated that Capt. R. M. Capps became surety for Thos. Addison, colored, who was held Thursday for the Criminal Court in the sum of $50 for larceny. Capt. Capps was only surety for him to the extent that he locked him up in jail for his appearance.

— Physicians reporting from Wilmington to *The Bulletin* of the North Carolina Board of Health give Wilmington a population of 27,000. The Charlotte physician who reported for the *The Bulletin* was not so modest and gave that of the "Queen City" as 29,000. Raleigh is put down at 20,000

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

S. W. Sanders—At Unlucky Corner.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Fresh candies.
Marsden Bellamy, Jr.—Trustee's sale

DELIGHTFUL CHURCH RECEPTION

Complimentary to Dr. and Mrs. Worth and Rev. and Mrs. Paxton.

The reception given last evening in the parlors of the First Presbyterian Church, complimentary to Dr. and Mrs. George C. Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Paxton, was an elegant affair and one which was thoroughly enjoyed by everybody present. It was entirely informal and the ladies of the church who had the reception in charge are to be congratulated upon the complete success of the occasion.

A number of voluntary musical selections added to the enjoyment of those present and although no special programme was prepared, the music was excellent.

Delicious refreshments were served by the young ladies and the repast was very much enjoyed.

The reception was largely attended and the older and the younger folk alike entered into the spirit of the occasion with energy and earnestness. Dr. and Mrs. Worth and Rev. and Mrs. Paxton were the principal guests of the evening and everybody present was presented to them most admirably and pleasantly.

Death of a Child.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Wright have the sympathy of many friends in the death of their little son, Joseph, which occurred yesterday morning. He was two years of age. The funeral will be held at 11 o'clock this morning from the residence on Davis street, between Third and Fourth, with interment at Bellevue cemetery.

Morning Fire Alarm.

The fire alarm at eight o'clock yesterday morning from box 42 was on account of a small blaze at 819 South Front street; a house occupied by Mr. J. F. Farrow and owned by Mr. Chas. McAllister. There was only trifling damage.

BAPTISTS OF NO. CA.

An Interesting Session of the State Convention Sitting in Raleigh.

THE CENTURY MOVEMENT.

Fifteen Thousand Dollars Contributed to the Educational Fund of $100,000. Subjects Discussed--Resolutions Adopted—To-day's Bill.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., December 7.—To-day's session of the Baptist State Convention was a most interesting one. Three subjects engaged its attention, and were fully discussed and finally disposed of: First, State missions, religious and educational; second, work of women in the church through their organizations; third, general education and plans for a twentieth century movement to raise $100,000 for education; half of it to go to the Baptist Female University at Raleigh, three-tenths to Wake Forest, and the remainder to be divided among other institutions.

In the discussion of State missions this morning the factory problem was touched upon, and every speaker declared in favor of the regulation of the hours of labor by law and prohibition of child labor in factories. The work of the women during the past year, especially in the way of organization, was endorsed, and the importance of encouragement of such work urged upon churches and pastors.

When it came to the subject of education the convention stopped talking and went to doing. The report pledging the Baptists of North Carolina to raise $100,000 during next year was not only adopted, but some $15,000 of the amount pledged was raised on the spot. The first $25,000 raised will go to the Baptist Female University, of this city. Among the largest contributors to the $15,000 raised to-night were the following: Chief Justice W. T. Faircloth, $1,000; First Baptist Church, Raleigh, $3,500; Tabernacle Baptist Church, Raleigh, $1,500; Wake Forest Church, $1,000; W. E. Daniel, Weldon, $500; E. F. Aydlett, Elizabeth City, $500; Dennis Simmons, Williamston, $500; C. B. Justice, Rutherfordton, $200; Waynesville Church, $200; East Durham Church, $150; John T. Pullen, Raleigh, $100; Judge E. W. Timberlake, Louisburg, $100; Apex Church, $100; D. F. King, Leaksville, $100; J. D. Moore, Gastonia, $100; H. C. Dockery, Rockingham, $100; West Durham church, $100, and a large number of smaller subscriptions. These were made after a powerful address on the educational needs of North Carolina by President R. T. Vann, of the Baptist Female University.

Also, at to-night's session the convention elected Rev. Livingston Johnson, of Greensboro, to succeed Rev. John E. White as corresponding secretary of the mission board of the convention.

Another matter was the adoption, at the morning session of the convention, of a resolution asking the next Legislature to establish a reformatory or industrial school for youthful criminals. Two other resolutions were adopted, one expressive of the convention's appreciation of the services of its retiring mission secretary, Rev. John E. White, and the other condemning seven-day newspapers.

The programme for to-day's meeting of the convention is as follows: Periodicals; report of committee on the *Recorder;* reports on obituaries; reports of special committees and miscellaneous business; historical papers; orphanage.

DEATH OF MRS. McKELVIE.

She Passed Away Rather Suddenly at 7 O'clock Last Evening—The Funeral.

Friends in Wilmington will learn with sincere sorrow of the death of Mrs. T. Arlington McKelvie, which occurred last evening about 7 o'clock at the home of her brother-in-law, Mr. Walter R. Kingsbury, No. 121 South Sixth street, after an illness of several weeks with peritonitis.

Her death was rather sudden though she had been critically ill for several days. Yesterday morning she was thought to have been much improved but she grew suddenly worse last night, passing away at the hour named. Mr. McKelvie was with her at the time of her death, having arrived yesterday at noon from his business at Raleigh.

Mrs. McKelvie was a daughter of Mrs. J. T. Harrell who survives her with a twin sister, Mrs. Walter R. Kingsbury, and two brothers, Mr. George V. Harrell, of Wilmington, and Mr. Mitchell Harrell, of Duplin county. The bereaved family has a wide circle of friends in this city and section.

The funeral will be conducted from the residence this afternoon at 3 o'clock by the Rev. P. C. Morton and the interment will be made immediately afterwards.

He Stole Hogs.

Mingo McIntyre, colored, was arrested Thurday night on the charge of stealing two hogs from Abram Mosely, colored, a few nights since. Mosely searched the markets and recognized the marks on the heads of the fine porkers which he had lost. From that evidence, Mingo was traced and safely lodged in jail by Constable Sheehan. His case will be tried this morning before Justice J. J. Fowler.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. E. C. Holt left yesterday for Burlington.

— Miss Louise Knight left last evening for Baltimore.

— Mr. M. J. Corbett returned yesterday from a Northern trip.

— Mrs. J. N. Brand and Miss Mary Borden spent yesterday in Goldsboro.

— Mrs. John Winders, of Castle Haynes, was in the city yesterday, shopping.

— Sheriff W. W. Alderman, of Pender county, returned to Burgaw yesterday.

— Miss Carrie Brooks, of Seaside, N. C., is visiting her brother, Mr. J. W. Brooks.

— Mr. Thos. Torpy left yesterday for Kenansville to attend, as a witness, Duplin Superior Court.

— Mrs. F. L. Huggins and sister, Miss Anna Cantwell, left yesterday to visit relatives at Knoxville, Tenn.

— Mr. and Mrs. Geo. N. Harriss and daughters, Misses Carrie and Katie, left last night for Washington.

— Mr. William Hilton, a cadet at the Pennsylvania Military Academy, is in the city on a visit to his aunt, Mrs. William Strouthers.

— Mr. John A. Tate, representing the Charlotte Supply Company, joined the happy group of commercial travellers at The Orton yesterday.

— Private J. A. Walker, of the Hospital Corps at Fort Caswell, was here yesterday on his way to Washington where he has been transferred by the government.

— Miss Tina Pridgen and Miss Fannie Moore, of Viola, who have been visiting the family of Mr. B. B. Pridgen, No. 214½ North Fourth street, have returned home.

— Mr. J. W. Norwood, president of the Atlantic National Bank, was being greeted on the streets by his numerous friends yesterday for the first time since his recent protracted illness.

— Mr. J. Emmett Benton, who some time since became a "knight of the grip," arrived in the city yesterday and will remain until after the holidays, much to the pleasure of his many friends.

— Mr. and Mrs. W. R. French, Miss May Beverly French and Rev. Robt. Strange, D. D., returned from Charleston yesterday where they attended the French—Bryan nuptials Thursday night.

— Mr. Robert H. Tate, who is pleasantly remembered here and who was recently made assistant general passenger agent of the Seaboard Air Line, with headquarters at Atlanta, spent yesterday in the city with friends and relatives.

HAD TARGET PRACTICE.

Gun Crew from Naval Reserves Went Down to Wrightsville Yesterday. Some Good Shots.

The target practice by a gun crew from the Wilmington Division, Naval Reserves, in command of Lieutenant A. B. Skelding at Wrightsville yesterday afternoon was attended by much success, and rare skill in marksmanship was exhibited.

The crew consisted of Messrs. A. A. Hergenrother, Charles E. McMillan, W. H. McCartney, B. Kelley, W. B. Norris, J. T. Yates and W. B. Lietgen. They left on the 2:30 o'clock train over the Wilmington Seacoast Railroad, carrying with them their one-pound Hotchkiss gun which was used in the practice. The range was 2,100 yards, the gun having been stationed on the barracks at Summer Rest and the target on the beach to the right of Moore's Inlet. The target was six feet square and painted black. Nearly every member of the crew succeeded in hitting it, but Lieutenant Skelding made the record shot. Messrs. McMillan and McCartney tied for second place and Mr. Hergenrother was third best.

Members of the crew who went down, are telling a good joke on Lieutenant Skelding, whom they say wanted a live target. For further information they say that Lieut. Skelding may be consulted.

The election of civil officers by the Reserves and by the Royal Grand Bouncers, their social organization, will take place on Monday night.

Bankers' Union of the World.

Joseph E. Johnson Lodge, Bankers' Union of the World, at its regular meeting last night elected the following officers for the ensuing term:

President—W. B. McKoy.
Vice President—H. C. Twining.
Past President—J. D. Webster.
Chaplain—J. S. Canady.
Overseer—T. C. Landing.
Secretary and Treasurer—H. P. West.
Inside Guard—J. A. Karr.
Sentry—W. C. Monroe.
Trustees—W. B. McKoy, J. D. Webster and H. P. West.

Sale of Bankrupt Stock.

Marsden Bellamy, Jr., Esq., trustee in the bankruptcy of Mr. H. L. Fennell, advertises to-day that beginning at 9.30 o'clock this morning he will offer for sale for cash at actual cost and at wholesale or retail, the stock in trade of Mr. Fennell in his late place of business in the Masonic Temple. The stock consists of trunks, valises, harness, whips, saddles, collars, carriage and buggy robes, horse blankets, buggies, road carts, etc., etc.

TRIAL OF POPULISTS.

Sampson Fusionists on Trial at Kenansville for Alleged Criminal Libel.

ESCAPED ON TECHNICALITY.

Counsel Attacked Bill of Indictment and Argued Certain Irregularities Which Obtained a Quashing of Cases. Largely Attended Trial.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

KENANSVILLE, N. C., Dec. 7.—The much talked of libel suit from Sampson county, in which George E. Butler, John E. Fowler, Cicero H. Johnson and fourteen other prominent Populists were indicted for criminal libel on affidavit of John D. Kerr, H. B. Chesnutt and other prominent Democrats, came up for trial here in the Superior Court yesterday. There was able counsel on both sides of the case, Messrs John E. Woodard, W. R. Allen and Solicitor Duffy appearing for the State and Messrs. Stevens Beasley & Weeks, Capt. C. M. Cooke, F. R. Cooper, Esq., for the defence.

A large number of witnesses from Sampson county and elsewhere were in attendance, and on account of the character of the case and the prominence of the parties, there was much interest manifested in the outcome of the same.

The prosecution after calling its witnesses, announced that it was not ready for trial on account of the absence of a material witness and asked for a continuance. The most interesting phase of the case was here contested, the defence stating that it was ready and anxious for a trial and claiming that the absent witness for which the prosecution asked for a continuance was Mr. J. C. Peterson, a student at Wake Forest College, Wake county, and that he had not been subpœned until last Sunday. One of the prosecutors having made affidavit as to the importance of the matter they could show by this witness and it appearing material and necessary for the prosecution, the judge granted the motion for a continuance.

The defendants insisted upon an immediate trial upon the grounds that the prosecution had not used due diligence to procure the attendance of its witnesses, while the defendants were ready with the attendance of one hundred and twenty-five witnesses from the county of Sampson, by whom, they insisted, they were prepared to prove their innocence of the charge, and that it would be a great hardship upon the taxpayers of Duplin county who had no interest in the prosecution, as well as upon the defendants and their witnesses.

The defendants' counsel further insisted that if said case should be continued that it be removed to Sampson county, where all the prosecutors, defendants and witnesses reside.

The defendants failing to get the case tried at this term of court or to get it removed to Sampson county, they moved to quash the bill of indictment for defects in the bill and for some irregularity in the grand jury. Upon investigation of these matters, the motion to quash the bill was sustained by His Honor, Judge Moore, and the bills of indictment in both cases against the defendants were quashed, and judgment entered discharging them.

The Marshall Case.

There has been much inquiry by friends as to whether the case of A. J. Marshall, Esq., would come up at the present term of the Federal Court in Raleigh. Mr. Marshall is still in the city awaiting telegraphic advices as to when he will be required to be in attendance but thus far has heard nothing. A Raleigh dispatch dated Thursday says that persons in the District Attorney's Office seem to think there will hardly be a trial on account of the absence of Theodore Darkley, perhaps the chief witness who is remembered as being a supposed confederate of Nick Politz, and who is supposed on this account to have run away to Greece, his native country.

To Philadelphia to Load.

The British steamship *Gladys*, Capt. Edwards, cleared yesterday in ballast for Philadelphia to take a cargo of grain. The *Gladys* brought a cargo of kainit, nitrate of soda and other fertilizer material and discharged at the Carolina Central wharf. She passed down the river at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Church Notices.

Bladen Street Methodist Church: Rev. J. J. Porter will preach at 11 A. M., and at the evening service.

Rev. P. C. Morton will preach at Delgado Mills Sunday morning at usual hour, and at 3.30 in the afternoon.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

First Presbyterian Church: Divine service at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. conducted by Rev. J. W. Paxton. Sunday School, 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8.15 P. M. The public cordially invited.

Southside Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. R. H. Herring, pastor. Services 11 o'clock A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday School at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting service every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure pastor. Sabbath services at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sabbath School at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited. Seats free.

Brooklyn Baptist Church, corner Fourth and Brunswick streets. Rev. J. J. Payseur, pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday School at 4.00 P. M. Weekly prayer and praise meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to all services.

Fifth Street Methodist Church, situated on Fifth street between Nun and Church. Rev. John H. Hall, pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Sunday School Sunday afternoon at 3.00 o'clock. A cordial invitation extended to all.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7.45 p. m. Sunday School, W. R. Cooper, supt., 3.30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited. Seats free.

WILL SUPPLY ST. JAMES.

Rev. Frederick H. T. Horsfield, of Cambridge, N. Y., Will Become Temporary Rector of Parish.

The vestry of St. James' Episcopal parish have secured the services of Rev. Frederick H. T. Horsfield, of Cambridge, N. Y., as temporary rector of the parish for three months to succeed the Rev. Dr. Robert Strange, who has accepted, as STAR readers are aware, the call to St. Paul's parish, Richmond.

Mr. Clayton Giles, senior warden of the vestry, received a telegram from Rev. Mr. Horsfield yesterday, stating that he would accept the call and would arrive in Wilmington on December 15th. Dr. Strange will preach his last sermon to the congregation on Sunday, December 16th, and Rev. Mr. Horsfield will then assume charge of the affairs of the parish.

Rev. Mr. Horsfield has spent some time in the South before, having had charge of a work at Winston, N. C., several years ago. He is anxious to come South again for a while, and readily accepted the opportunity offered by the St. James' vestry. He is an eloquent preacher and a fine writer of note. Wilmington and St. James are fortunate in securing him, even for a short time.

Dr. Worth at Grace Church.

In the absence of the Rev. J. N. Cole, who is attending conference at Newbern this week, Dr. George C. Worth will speak at Grace M. E. Church to-morrow morning. There will be no service, so far as is now known, on Sunday evening.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

DIED.

MCKELVIE—At her home in this city, last night at 7 o'clock, Mrs. T. ARLINGTON McKELVIE.

Funeral this (Saturday) afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

During my visit in Europe this Summer I bought another large lot of the well known pure Rhine Wine—the oldest and purest table wine in the world. Positively guaranteed not to be adulterated. Delivered at your house for $1.00 per gallon. Sweet Oranges 20 cents per dozen. JOHN H. KUCK.
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Headquarters For fancy Fruits and Candies.

Fresh Candies to-day, 15c pound.
Bananas, finest, 20c dozen.
Sweet Florida Oranges, 30c dozen.
California Pears, 35c dozen.

Apples, Grape Fruit, Grapes and Cocoanuts.

We have all kinds of Nuts, Seeded and Bunch Raisins, and Colored Sugars for Xmas cakes, &c.

J. W. Plummer, Jr.
Inter-State 'Phone 189. dec 8 tf

Trustee's Sale of Bankrupt Stock.

Beginning at 9 o'clock, this, Saturday morning,

I will offer for sale, at wholesale and retail, FOR CASH ONLY, the entire stock in trade of H. L. Fennell, at his late place of business in the Masonic Temple building, consisting in part of Trunks, Satchels, Valises, Dress Suit Cases, Harness, Whips, Saddles, Horse Collars, Winter and Summer Carriage and Buggy Robes, Horse Blankets, Buggies and Road Carts, and in fact every article usually kept for sale in a first-class Harness, Trunk and Carriage establishment.

All these goods will be sold at Actual Cost.

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Oranges by the dozen, By the thousand, By the one hundred thousand. Also, Pineapples.

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Upholstering, Repairing and Mattress Making BY EXPERTS.
The Spot Cash Price is marked in plain figures on all my goods but to reliable parties I will sell on terms suited to their convenience. nov 24 tf

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The Best 5c Cigar is "Cuban Blossom."

Sold by all Drug Stores. Sold by all Saloons, Sold by all Grocers.

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Sole ag'ts for North Carolina.
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Sailed from New York on 8th inst. Assorted Sizes of Sacks.

Rust Proof Oats for seed.
Very fine quality N. C.

Molasses—Pure, straight goods. Grain, Hay, Lime, Cement.

CANNED GOODS.
CHEESE AND CRACKERS.

All sorts of best quality. Heavy Groceries.

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Just to Remind You.

Christmas is less than five weeks off,

to say nothing of intervening holidays. Whether one's list of gifts for the holidays be long or short, time and consideration are needed for proper selection. Our patrons are reminded of the near approach of Christmas and of the facilities NOW OFFERED for the deliberate examination of our stock.

It is a pleasure to choose from a stock like ours,

because it contains everything that is new and unique in Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Toilet Sets, Salad Sets, Lamps, Jardiniers, Fern Dishes, Vases, etc., to say nothing of our very pretty pieces in Libbey's Cut Glass.

Will you let us Fill that order?

O. P. Cazaux & Co.
nov 25 tf

"Surprising Reductions In Prices on Everything"

is what the people say when they come in and look over our Extensive Departments, when compared to what they have been paying elsewhere for same goods. And people

are finding out that we do what we say.

See, Ladies' Hat Window, what prices!
See our Dress Goods!
See our long lists of Notions, Men's Wear Books and Stationery.
Sewing Machines, high grade, at $17.50, worth $35.00.
Bicycles, Ladies' and Men's, $14.75 to $23.75, worth double the money.
It is extremely interesting to look through our large stock of Toys, Bric-a-Brac, Crockery, Glassware, &c., and note our prices on all.

Our Douglass and Duttenhofer Shoes are still the "Town Talk" and are rushing.
We extend Thanksgiving Greetings to everybody, with a cordial invitation to visit our stores. Respectfully,

MERCER & EVANS COMPANY,
63½ Steps East from Corner Front.
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MULLETS, new catch.
Best Cream Cheese,
Martin's Gilt Edge Butter,
Bagging and Ties.
SALT.

A GENERAL LINE OF CASE GOODS IN DEMAND AT THIS SEASON.

Sole agents for ROB ROY FLOUR.

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Apples.

Evaporated Apples,
Baldwin Apples,
Raisins,
C. C. Nuts,
Mixed and Penny Candy,
Full line of Heavy Groceries.

SEND US YOUR ORDERS.

S. P. McNair,
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Don't Be A Fool.

Go to R. R. Bellamy's and get a bottle of Goose Grease Liniment. It cures croup and coughs like magic, and all pains.
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MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon	6	5:38 a. m.	New Moon	21	7:01 p. m.
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The Morning Star

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 8.

NOT THE WAY TO BUILD IT UP.

An address was recently delivered by Mr. John G. Fiske, on the 200th anniversary of the founding of the town of Middleton, Connecticut, in which he made some allusion to the decadence of the American merchant marine, in which much interest was taken during his boyhood. He disputed the alleged cause of that decadence, namely, that our merchant ships had been driven from the seas by Confederate cruisers during the war, saying that a nation's merchant marine could no more be permanently driven from the seas by cruisers, than a field could be destroyed by cutting the grass on it. If the grass didn't grow again it was evidence that there was something the matter with the roots. The matter with our navy in his opinion was the midaeval navigation laws that helped destroy it and to prevent it from springing up again. The New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin* takes this as a text for a leading editorial in which it says:

"Mr. Fiske's reasoning is eminently sound, but the cause of American maritime decadence goes back of the Civil War. Our entire tonnage in 1855 was 5,212 001, and in 1856 there was a decrease of 6.53 per cent. There were some small gains, and the maximum was not reached till 1861, but the essential fact is that the registered tonnage of the United States increased 60 per cent. between 1850 and 1855, and .04 per cent. between 1855 and 1860. This shows when the decadence of the American merchant marine began.

"What event happened about 1855 to explain this change? Two things happened the full effect of which began to be felt about this date. The Mexican war had given us the whole continent to the Pacific Ocean, and the demonstrated success of railroads had given us the means of developing our vast domain. On the other hand, the success of iron steamers had given England an advantage which we had possessed so long as the wooden clipper was the best ocean carrier. We retired from the sea because we had a more profitable field of employment for labor and capital on land, and because the development of ocean carrying had taken the position of advantage from us and given it to England.

"Seafaring is a life of hardship and small pay. The American sailor had nearly disappeared before the Civil War opened, for he could get better pay for lighter work ashore, and the development of our great West absorbed the capital and energy which had expended itself upon the sea for want of a better field.

"Last week the International Seaman's Union, in Boston, adopted a report in which occurs the statement: 'No one disputes the fact that American boys do not seek the sea for a living, for it is disputed that in the early history of the country it was otherwise.' Any old map of the United States States will show the reason; in the early part of the century there was no United States except a narrow strip along the Atlantic coast; there were few factories and no railroads to absorb labor; the American boy went to sea account of the difficulty of getting employment on land. 'Reading the subsidy bill,' says this same report, 'we desire to say that in our opinion this bill, as now reported, will fail in its purpose if such purpose be to furnish seamen for the Government use when necessary.' The real purpose of the bill is to make business for the large, wealthy and influential shipbuilding interests; the supply of seamen is thrown in merely to interest the public. The report says that if Congress desires to increase the number of seamen such amendments must be added as will induce the American boy to go to sea and remain there. We desire to say, as sailors, that there is nothing in this bill as now reported by the majority of the Congressional committee which will have this tendency.'

"Senator Thurston has been interviewed on the subject of the pending bill and said of the building up of a merchant marine: 'If other great governments are accomplishing that end by subsidies it is a condition and not a theory that confronts us.' No governments are building up their merchant marine by subsidies. Bounties for navigation, such as the Hanna-Payne bill proposes, are paid by France, Italy and Austria, and all these countries are complaining of the meagre results. England and Germany give postal contracts to a few of their steamship lines for the services of 4 or 5 per cent. of the tonnage under their flags. Even if the pay under these contracts were very liberal it would be of no sort of service to the 95 per cent., or more, of the tonnage which gets nothing.

"A few weeks ago an official of the Pittsburg Coal Company said that in the event of the passage of the subsidy bill his company would build a fleet of colliers and push the coal export. It was announced in Baltimore last week that this company had already closed a contract for the export of 450,000 tons of coal to France. The export of coal is not waiting for the United States Government to pay the freight. Mr. John Lambert of Chicago said of himself and Mr. Gates last week: 'We expect to establish extensive ship building yards on the Atlantic coast. If the subsidy bill passes it will give a great impetus to the shipbuilding industry in this country, and we think that is a good way to invest some of our money.' Nearly the whole purpose of the Hanna-Payne bill is to hire men to buy ships in American yards.

We reproduce this in full because it is an unbiased statement of the causes which led to the decline of the American merchant marine by a non-political journal, which speaks for the commercial interests of the greatest seaport and commercial city in the United States, a city which would naturally be keenly interested in the revival of our merchant marine.

In addition to giving the principal causes for the decadence of our marine it gives reasons why the proposed subsidies will not make sailors while American boys can find more congenial or more profitable employment, which is one of the alleged objects of the subsidy schemers. A very large percentage of the sailors employed on American ships now engaged in both coast and ocean navigation are foreigners, for the reason that they are willing to work for the wages paid, which are more, according to the accounts we have, than they can get in the ships of other nations, and considerably more, if it be true, as Senator Frye alleges, that it costs from 40 to 50 per cent. more to operate an American ship than it does to operate an English ship and from 60 to 80 per cent. more than it does to operate a merchantman of Norway and Denmark. If that be so then it will take a good deal of subsidy to help the American ship hold its own against these European competitors, and then the kind of vessels that would most need it, the freighters, will not get it. But the coal barons and oil magnates, and railroad companies which want to run ships in connection with their lines will scoop in much if not most of the subsidies. That's what it is intended for; for the favored schemers to grab.

IS THIS CIVILIZED WARFARE?

When the censorship was in force in the Philippines the truest version we got of the situation there came from the letters of soldiers to their friends, and from letters of newspaper correspondents which escaped the censor. And so the truest version which we get about the horrors of the war in South Africa, about the indiscriminate destruction of the property and the houses of the Boers comes from the letters of soldiers to their friends, some of which find their way into print. The following, which we find in the Washington *Post*, taken from the London *Leader*, is a sample. It is an extract from the letter of a British sergeant to his father:

"I think the war is nearly come to a close, and that the brave race of people talked about, called Boers, has vanished.

"We go out one or twice a week for two, three, and sometimes five days, and have a little sniping, burn a few farms, get a few chickens and ducks and fodder, corn, &c., and return home.

"We went out for five days last week under Gen. Barton; the weather was grand, both night and day. We burnt about 20 farms houses, and all the furniture inside them—some splendid pianos and organs were burnt, and it was pitiful to see the mothers patting their little on the neck and pacifying them.

"We took out £6,000 worth of stuff from Botha's farm—cattle, grain, forage, wagons, &c. The young women knelt down and prayed—Bible in hand—and I assure you the tears rolled down my cheeks for a moment when I was ordered to smash and set fire to a splendid set of furniture and a piano at a house where an old lady, three nice young girls, and a boy were imploring me to spare them their furniture.

"But, on the whole, these five days out were a picnic to all of us."

Great Britain is a civilized, enlightened Christain nation waging war against a people who are defending their own territory and homes, and a handful in number compared with the British. They are a brave people, who, as far as we know, have waged an open, manly war, observed all the usages of civilized warfare and have been very kind to prisoners who fell into their hands. Is there any excuse, then, for this brutal, barbarous war of fire and rapine which the British soldiers are forced to prosecute? Is it any wonder that the Boers fight desperately, that they are getting to hate the British, or that the world sympathizes with them? But they are weak, Great Britain is strong, they suffer and Great Britain is covering herself with infamy.

Insanity is rapidly increasing in this country. Taking two of the old States and two of the comparatively new, Massachusetts, New York, Wisconsin and Minnesota, with an aggregate population of 13,803,713, there are 41,115 insane persons under public suprevision, or one to every 338 inhabitants, compared with one to every 417 inhabitants ten years ago. With a gain of 24 per cent. in population the insane increased 52 per cent., over two times as fast as the population. The same ratio of increase for the country at large would make the number of insane under public supervision 250,000, not to speak of those in private charge.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and the suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousand of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist, and get a 10c. trial bottle. Regular size 50c. and $1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded. †

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

THE CHINESE PUZZLE.

After all the talk and all the announcements that agreements had been reached for the settlement of the Chinese question the problem doesn't seem to be any nearer solution than when the allied troops marched into Pekin. The Powers haven't progressed far enough to have restored peace, for when they suppress the Boxers in one province trouble breaks out in another, and the suppressing has to go on.

The fact is the Powers, with the exception of this country and Japan, elated by their success in taking Pekin and the ease with which they overcame the Chinese armies, became imperious and made demands that the Chinese Government and people could not agree to without utter humiliation, and which they were hardly expected to agree to. Practically the foreign Governments took the punishment of the offenders into their own hands by dictating to the Chinese Government what it must do to obtain forgiveness. To indiscriminately execute the so-called leaders as demanded would be baseness on the part of the Government, to accept the terms to dismantle herself as a war power would be crying cowardice, and to pay the money indemnities would be simply impossible without bankrupting herself.

Now the indications point to partition, and it may possibly come to that. If that can be done it will in the end be the best solution of this question, but here another question arises. Can the interested Powers agree on the terms of partition even if the Chinese were not considered in this?

GENERAL APATHY.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Republicans scored such an decisive victory at the last election, there has never been a Presidentia election in which there was such general apathy and so many voters refrained from voting. Instead of being greater by a million or more, as it would have been if anything like the usual proportion had been kept up in voting, the vote was really less than it was in 1896. The following summary of results taken from the New York *World* will give some idea of how general the apathy was:

"The total vote cast for President in 1896 was 13,923,378 out of an estimated total electorate of 14,250,000.

"The total vote cast for President in 1900 was 13,883,934 out of an estimated electorate of 15,500,000.

"The vote this year was therefore 39,435 less than it was four years ago, although the electorate had increased at least 1,250,000. While the vote four years ago was within a quarter of a million of the total electorate, the 'stay-at home' vote this year reached 1,250,000.

"One voter in every dozen the country through refrained from expressing any opinion upon the Presidency.

"Except the Presidential election of 1864, when the Southern States were not represented, this is the first Presidential election at which the popular vote has been less than at the preceding Presidential election.

"Mr. McKinley's popular vote in 1896 was 7,102 272. His popular vote in 1900 was 7,238,130, a gain of 135,858. Mr Bryan's popular vote in 1896 was 6 502 925. His popular vote in 1900 6,860,530, a loss of 142,395."

All the ante-election estimates of the politicians were based on the prospective increase in votes, and but little allowance was made for the stay-at-homes, who this year proved to be legion. If they had voted it might not have materially altered the result and yet it might.

Logically this large stay-at-home vote shows that the Republican party, notwithstanding Mark Hanna's victory, is still a minority party, for if they or a majority of them had endorsed its policies they would have voted for it.

Geo. W. Peck, author of "Peck's Bad Boy" who was punished for the pranks he perpetrated by being sentenced to serve as Governor of Wisconsin from 1891 to 1894 makes the welcome announcement that he is "back in harness" and on Dec. 9th will become editor of the comic supplement of the New York Sunday *World*, which will be enlarged to eight pages. He will reaive the "Bad Boy" papers, but it will be "Peck's Bad Boy Grown Up." If the boy grown up can hold his own with the little fellow he will make the Sunday *World* a jolly number.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Eleven persons suspected of plotting to kill Lord Roberts have been ordered into exile, though "the evidence against them is not sufficient to justify their trial." This kind of British justice and concilation is not calculated to win the good will of the Boers.—*New York World, Dem.*

—— There are hundreds of American millionaires living in Great Britain, and probably some of them left this country to escape their share of taxation. Now John Bull's tax assessors are after our rich exiles, and let us hope that he will have better success than Uncle Sam has had in getting at their list of valuables.—*Baltimore Herald, Rep.*

—— Senator Clay, of Georgia, it is announced, introduced in the Senate on Tuesday "bills providing for the admission free of duty of articles controlled by trusts." It is a good move and well designed for the suppression of the evil concerns. As will be noted, however, it is made by a Democratic Senator from a Southern State. The trusts have nothing to fear from it. They are in the hands of their friends for four years more.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

NICE BABY

All babies are "nice," to their mothers.

We all love children. Great big men, with hard hands, have soft hearts for helpless new-comers to earth with the smile of heaven fresh on their innocent faces. No man is too high or low, too proud or humble, too busy or idle, too good or bad, too great or small—except a few very small mean men—to throw up their hats at the sight of a plump little cherub; or to pity a thin one.

Plumpness and thinness are accidents. Nature is bountiful; parents want to be. Scott's emulsion of cod-liver oil corrects their mistakes.

We'll send you a little to try if you like.
SCOTT & BOWNE, 409 Pearl street, New York.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Lumberton *Argus*: We are informed that a new saw mill is being erected at Ashpole which will saw poplar timber exclusively. They are paying at the rate of $4.00 a cord for poplar logs.

— Rockingham *Anglo-Saxon*: We are glad to hear that the chances now are that Mr. Eli Cole, who was shot on Thanksgiving day, will recover. His physicians did not at first think there was one chance in a thousand for him, but he has taken hold of the one chance, and is getting along very well.

— Carthage *Blade*: Capt. W. B. Phillips, who lives on Tyson's Creek, near the Chatham line, a few nights ago had his dwelling and kitchen burned and all their contents, including his wheat and meat. The house was new and he had just moved into it. Capt. Philips thinks it the work of an incendiary. A few years ago there was an epidemic of burning in that same community.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: It is stated on good authority that ex-Congressman Jno. E. Fowler is preparing to contest the election of Hon. Chas. R. Thomas to a seat in the Fifty-seventh Congress. Why he should do so is past understanding as Mr. Thomas' majority was about 2,000, while in 1898, when Fowler was also the opponent of Thomas, the latter had only a hundred or two majority, and yet Fowler made no contest.

— Winston *Sentinel*: At last February term of Guilford Superior Court J. H. Clark, a farmer of that county, was granted an absolute divorce from his wife on the grounds of desertion. It developed later that he was living with his wife at that time, and a few weeks ago she had him indicted for perjury. The case came up in court yesterday, when the attorneys for the defendant entered a plea of nole contendere. Judge Hoke then dismissed the case, dissolved the divorce previously granted, and required Clark to give bond for the support of his wife.

— Monroe *Enquirer*: Mrs. Mary Caldwell, wife of Mr. J. A. Caldwell, of this place, died this (Thursday) morning. She had been sick for a long while but her death was unexpected. —— Mr. John E. Austin, an old citizen of Vance township, died on November 30th. —— Frank Perry, a colored hackman, had his carriage knocked into kindling wood by a freight train at the passenger depot last night. The horse hitched to the carriage backed across the road in front of the train which was going at good speed. The horse and driver escaped without injury.

— Wadesboro *Messenger-Intelligence*: Mr. E. D. Harris died at his home in Norwood Friday of typhoid fever, after an illness of several weeks, aged about 32 years. —— Polkton is to have a spoke and handle factory. The machinery for the factory is now being placed and the manufacture of the fine timber of Brown creek swamps into spokes and handles will commence at at early day. The factory is being established by Messrs. H. C. Dockery, & Co. Mr. John Dockery, of Rockingham, who is a son of Mr. H. C. Dockery, will superintend the work. It is probale that the company will also manufacture sash, doors and blinds later on.

— "I wanted to go out shopping to-day," sighed young Mrs. Maddox, "but I couldn't on account of the rain." "Wanted to try to get something for nothing, as usual, I suppose," said her husband, attempting to be facetious. "Well, I did think of getting you some neckwear," replied Mrs. Maddox, innocently.—*Chicago Tribune.*

TWINKLINGS

— "Jenkins is one man in ten thousand." "In what respect?" "He doesn't consider himself a good judge of character."

— First Tramp—Oh, yes! I've been coerced into votin' more'n wunst. Second Tramp — How? First Tramp—Wiv two dollar bills!

— "Of course, a man can't be selected for the Hall of Fame until he's dead." "Too bad! The living would put up a much more interesting scrap."

— First Suburbanite—Yes; they say that mosquitoes transmit malaria. Second Suburbanite—Unfortunately, there is no evidence that they suffer from it.

— "So you have been married, eh? Well, have you been successful in finding a mate?" "Mate? Why, I've done better than that; I've secured an efficient commander."—*Richmond Dispatch.*

—The friend—"You've caught a fresh cold, haven't you?" The victim—"Ugh! Baybe I have, but it bakes be feel bighty stale, I tell you."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— "When does a man become a seamstress?" "When he hems and haws." "No." "When he threads his way." "No." "When he rips and tears." "No." "Give it up." "Never, if he can help it."—*Boston Christian Register.*

— "I thought you said you never would elect her president of your club," he suggested after she had told him all about the result of the club election. "Well, we didn't intend to," she replied, "but when she broke down and cried we just couldn't help it."—*The Smart Set.*

The foundation of all prosperity: Reuben Railfence—"There's people gittin' buncoed every day in New York." Henry Hoecorn—"That's jest what I've always said; take away the great agricultural classes from the country and the big cities couldn't subsist a month."—*Puck.*

— "Well," said Susan the next morning, "I did just as you told me to ascertain whom I should marry, according to Halloe'en rules, and I saw a whole mob of men in my mirror." "That's all right," replied Blanche. "You are a Chicago girl. You will marry them all."—*Detroit Free Press.*

HE FIXED HIM.

A Pair of Spectacles That Just Suited the Old Farmer.

The traveling eye doctor came along.

The man of the house was out in the barn sorting potatoes for seed. His wife told the doctor that she guessed her husband wanted some glasses, for he had been complaining about his old ones. So she went out and called him. He came slowly in through the shed walk, dusting the grime off his hands.

"Yes," said he to the doctor, "I have been havin quite a tussle with them eyes of mine. Guess I've either got to have some new specs or git tongs to hold my paper with. Hain't got much ready money jest now. Jest got up March hill, ye see, and it's seed and fertilizer and all that to buy. But trot out yer glasses, mister, and we'll see if we can trade."

So the doctor opened his case and commenced to try on the glasses.

As each was fitted on his nose the farmer first looked gravely on to the page of the weekly paper and then off at the wall.

"No, that ain't it yet," he would say.

At last he seemed to get discouraged. "I don't believe ye've got anything in your stock," said he, "that's goin to do me any good. Guess we might's well stop tryin."

Quoth the doctor: "Well, try these. It's the last pair we haven't tested. If they don't fit, we'll call it a bad job."

And he carefully placed the glasses astride the farmer's nose and passed the paper over to him.

The farmer read for awhile in silent delight, and then he looked at the doctor.

"Complete!" cried the farmer ecstatically. "I hain't seen so well to read for years. These are just what I call fust class!"

"I'm glad I suited you," said the doctor as he tucked $3 in his vest pocket and hastened away. "I thought I could fix you before we got done."

"And he did fix me," said the farmer, telling about the matter the other day. "When I went to look at them glasses after supper, blamed if I didn't find that they were nothin but jest bows—not a speck of glass in either of 'em. It cost me $3 to find out that my old eyes are pretty good to read with, after all."—Lewiston (Me.) Journal.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 8, 1900.

SCHOONERS.

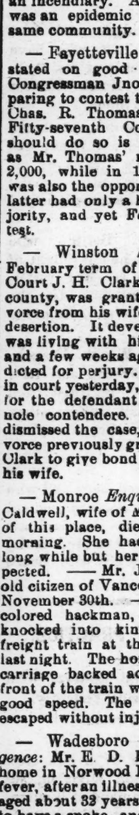
J R Bodwell, 174 tons, Quinlan, George Harriss, Son & Co.
B I Hazard, 373 tons, DeBuhr, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Mabel Darling, (Br), 111 tons, Roberts, George Harriss, Son & Co.
D J Sawyer, 288 tons, Kelley, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Brothers, (Br) 125 tons, Kelley, B F Keith Company.
Margaret Roper, 394 tons, Crammer, George Harriss, Son & Co.

STEAMSHIPS.

Dora, (Br), 1,105 tons, Goulding, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
Oaklands, (Br), 1,252 tons, Granger, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

BARQUES.

Hannes, (Rus) 536 tons, Arvidsson, Heide & Co.



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are dangerous. They linger in the system; they weaken the constitution. They open a way for more serious sickness. High temperature, thirst, headache are some of the symptoms. Every movement causes the bones and muscles to ache, and even to lie down is painful. These are signs of danger and of worse to come. Drive out the cause by means of ABBEY'S EFFERVESCENT SALT. Bilious, Gastric, Remittant, Rheumatic, Malarial, Eruptive Fevers, are all due to a disordered condition of the blood, and can only be driven out through the blood. Doctors say the blood should be cooled first, and for this purpose Abbey's Salt has no equal. Doctors all over the world use it and testify as to its value in fever cases. Abbey's is so pleasant to take that children like it and the most delicate stomach will not refuse it.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, December 7.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.20 per bbl for strained and $1.25 for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.40 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market steady at $1.40 per barrel for hard, $2.40 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin firm at $1.10@1.15; tar firm at $1.40; crude turpentine quiet at $1.50 @2.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	56
Rosin	477
Tar	257
Crude turpentine	108

Receipts same day last year.—77 casks spirits turpentine, 415 bbls rosin, 578 bbls tar, 40 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9⅝c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7 3-16	cts ₱ lb
Good ordinary	8 9-16	" "
Low middling	9 3-16	" "
Middling	9⅝	" "
Good middling	9 15-16	" "

Same day last year middling steady at 7¼c.

Receipts—2,645 bales; same day last year, 2,513.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80c. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c.

CORN—Firm; 58 to 60 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 13 to 15c per pound; shoulders, 10 to 11c; sides, 8 to 9c.

EGGS—Firm at 20@22 cents per dozen.

CHICKENS—Very dull. Grown, 22½@25 cents; springs, 12½@20 cents.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25 cents.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½ cents per pound.

TURKEYS—Live, very dull at 6 to 8c; dressed, 8 to 10c.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 30c.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Money on call firm at 4@5 per cent., last loan being at 5 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at 483½ for demand and 481¼ for sixty days. Posted rates 482½ and 486½. Commercial bills 480¾@481¼. Silver certificates 64@65. Bar silver 64½. Mexican dollars 50⅝. Government bonds weak. State bonds strong. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's reg'd, 104½; U.S. refunding 2's, coupon, 105; U. S. 3's, reg'd, —; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109½; do. coupon, 109½; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 137¾; do. coupon, 137¾; U. S. 4's, old reg'd 114¾; do. coupon, 115¾; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 112¾; do. coupon, 112¾; Southern Railway 5's 113. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 79; Chesapeake & Ohio 38¾; Manhattan L 107⅝; N. Y. Central 141½; Reading 20½; do. 1st pref'd 63¼; St. Paul, 135⅞; do. pref'd, 177¾; Southern Railway 17¾; pref'd 68¾; American Tobacco, 105⅝; do. pref'd 130; People's Gas 97¾; Sugar 124; do. pref'd 114½; T. C. & Iron 61¾; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. preferred 74¾; Western Union 83¾; Standard Oil 795@800; Seaboard, common, 11½@11¾; preferred 29@29½; bonds 72⅞.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Rosin quiet. Spirits turpentine dull and weak at 42 @42¾c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 7.—Spirits turpentine firm at 38c; sales — casks. Rosin firm and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 7.—Spirits turpentine quiet at 38¾c; sales 931 casks; receipts 1,234 casks; exports 410 casks. Rosin firm; sales 3,379 barrels; receipts 3,798 barrels; exports 318 barrels. Quotations unchanged.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The cotton market to day was more active and prices ruled decidedly lower under heavy realizing, chiefly owing to the large amount of cotton coming in sight. New Orleans gave occasional support, but as a rule Southern orders went to the selling side of the account. Private wires intimated that spot holders were becoming very uneasy in view of the low bids of spinners and exporters. The market met with the disadvantage at the outset of weak cables and opened at a decline of three to six points. Later, the amount coming into sight became the factor and the decline was increased sixteen to seventeen points. A few feeble rallies were made, but these were due rather to covering than to any manifestation of inherent energy. The market was finally barely steady at a net decline of thirteen to eighteen points. The prevailing feeling of depression was increased by an unsatisfactory demand from spinners in this country as well as abroad; an unsatisfactory demand for cotton goods and disappointment regarding the attitude of the speculative public. Included in to day's selling was a larger proportion for short account than heretofore the rule.

NEW YORK Dec. 7.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 10¾c.

Cotton futures closed barely steady: December 9.69, January 9.60, February 9.55, March 9.50, April 9.46, May 9.41, June 9.37, July 9.34, August 9.09, September 8.45.

Spot cotton closed dull at 1-16c decline; middling uplands 10¼c; middling gulf 10⅜c; sales 91 bales.

Net receipts 1,258 bales; gross receipts 3,888 bales; stock 61,336 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 50,475 bales; exports to Great Britain 11,531 bales; exports to France 13,704 bales; exports to the Continent 14,576 bales; stock 818,305 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 801,218 bales; exports to Great Britain 130,918 bales; exports to France 45,390 bales; exports to the Continent 100,184 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 4,662,826 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,197,891 bales; exports to France 208,845 bales; exports to the Continent 688,211 bales.

December 7.—Galveston, easy at 9 11-16, net receipts 13,091 bales; Norfolk, steady at 9 11-16c, net receipts 5,808 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 10¼c, net receipts 1,243 bales; Boston, dull at 10 3-16, net receipts 857 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9⅝, net receipts 2,647 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 10¾c, net receipts 50 bales; Savannah, quiet at 9 9-16, net receipts 6,263 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 9 11-16c, net receipts 14,165 bales; Mobile, easy at 9½c, net receipts 1,223 bales; Memphis, steady at 9 13 16c, net receipts 4,216 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9 13 16, net receipts 1,560 bales; Charleston, steady at 9¾@9¾c, net receipts 1,967 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Flour was rather easy, with less doing and bids lowered on account of the irregularity in wheat. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red 78¼c f. o. b. afloat. Options, after a firmer opening, which was influenced by small Argentine shipments and steady English cables, turned weak and ruled heavy most of the session under bearish continental advices and favorable Argentine harvest news. Closed steady at ½c decline to ¼c advance: The sales included: January closed 78c; March closed —c; May closed 79¾c; December closed 77¼c. Corn—Spot easier; No. 2 46¼c at elevator. Options were generally steady all day, the demand being inspired by cables, rains in the corn belt, a heavy distribution from seaboard points and poor grading at Chicago. Closed firm and ¼c net higher. May closed 42¾c; December closed 48½c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2 26½c. Options quiet and about steady. Lard steady; December closed $7 57½, nominal; refined steady. Pork steady. Potatoes quiet. Butter firm; Western creamery 18@26c; factory 12@15½c. Eggs strong; State and Pennsylvania 27@30c at mark, for average lots; Western regular packing 23@27c. Cheese firm; large September fancy 11¼c; small September 11½; large late made 10¾@10¼c; small late made 11c Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 20c. Petroleum quiet Tallow dull. Molasses steady; New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 33@40c. Cabbages steady. Rice steady. Cotton seed oil was steadier and more active on sales to fill a Marseilles steamer, prompt oil selling at 31½c. Quotations closed: Prime crude in barrels, 28½c, nominal; prime summer yellow 31½c; off summer yellow 30¾@31c; prime winter yellow 33@37¼c; prime white 34@35c; prime meal $26 00. Coffee—Spot Rio weak; No. 7 invoice 7¼c; mild quiet; Cordova 9½@11¼c. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 3 15-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4 9 16c; molasses sugar 3 11-16c; refined steady.

NORFOLK, VA., December 5.—Peanuts—Fancy 3¾c; strictly prime 3½c; prime 2¾@2¼c; common 1¾@2c; Spanish 75c.

CHICAGO, December 7. — Higher cables, light Argentine shipments and rain in the country, together with reports of a better cash demand and fears of a rupture between Portugal and Holland combined to help wheat to day, January closing ½c up. Corn closed a shade to ¼c and oats ¼c up and provisions 2½@5c lower.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Cash quotations: Flour quiet and steady. Wheat—No. 3 spring 66@71c; No. 2 red 74c. Corn—No. 2, 38c. Oats—No. 2 2c; No. 2 white 26@26¼c; No. 3 white 24¾@27c. Pork, per bar rel, $11 37½@11 50. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 10@7 12½. Short rib sides, loose, $6 25@6 75. Dry salted shoulders, $5 87½@6 12½. Short clear sides, boxed $6 75@7 85. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December 70⅝@70¾, 70¾, 70⅜, 70⅜c; January 70¾ 71½, 71¾, 70¾@70⅝, 71¼@71⅜c; 73⅞@74, 74@74¼, 73¾, 83¾@74. Corn—December 37⅞@38¼, 38¼, 37¾, 37¾; January 36¾, 36¾, 36, 36⅛c; May 36¾ @36⅞, 36⅞, 35⅝, 36¼@36¾c. Oats—December 21¾, 21¾, 21¼, 21¾c; May 23¾@23⅞, 23¾, 23¾, 23¾. Pork, per bbl—January $12 22½, 12 25, 12 12½, 12 20; May $12 12½, 12 12½, 11 92½, 12 05. Lard, per 100 lbs.—December $7 10, 7 15, 7 10, 7 12½; January $6 90, 6 92½, 6 87½, 6 90; May $6 95, 6 97½, 6 92½, 6 95. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $6 33½, 6 37½, 6 30, 6 32½; May $6 37½, 6 42½, 6 35, 6 40

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, December 7, 4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot, moderate business; prices easier; American middling 5 9-16d. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 6,600 bales American. Receipts 10,000 bales, including 8,900 American.

Futures opened and closed quiet. American middling (l. m. c.) December 5 37-64d buyer; December and January 5 24 64@5 25 64d seller; January and February 5 23-64@5 23-64d seller; February and March 5 20 64d seller; March and April 5 18 64d seller; April and May 5 15-64d buyer; May and June 5 12-64@5 13-64d seller; June and July 5 10-64d seller; July and August 5 7 64d seller; August and September 4 57 64d seller.

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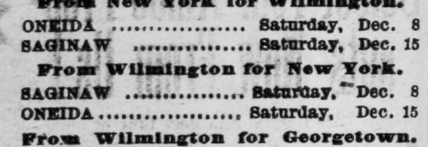

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THE GREEDY RABBIT.

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Snowstorms Develop a Curious Weather Instinct In "Timid Wat." A Negro Tradition of How His Upper Lip Came to Be Cleft.

Scientifically there is a distinction between rabbits and hares, although both belong to the genus lepus. To the lay mind they are much the same. Both are grass eaters, afraid of their own shadows, with short tails, very soft fur and deeply cleft upper lips.

This is how the negroes account for the cleft: In the beginning, they say, the Lord made the rabbit among the first things created and set him to watch other things as they were made. After awhile he formed the moon, gilded it beautifully and set it up beside a tree to dry. The rabbit had charge of it, but fell nodding and let Br'er Foxslip in, who began to lick off the gold. This angered the Deity, who flung a stick at the sleepyhead with such force that it buried itself in his upper lip. Then by way of punishment it was ordained that the mark should descend through all the rabbit generations. The dark places on the moon, of course, are the marks of Br'er Fox's tongue.

Feeble as they are, rabbits constitute a menace to things ever so much more powerful, even to man himself, through their faculty of growing and spreading. That has been demonstrated over and over by the rabbit plague of Australia. Everybody has heard how a homesick colonial turned loose a few pairs in a rabbitless land and how within a few years the pairs had multiplied until they devoured every green thing in the neighborhood and seriously threatened the raising of sheep. The plague is not yet wholly abated, although the government and the flock masters together have spent a good many million dollars. Trapping, shooting, poisoning, even the establishment of canning factories, have only sufficed to keep the rabbits moderately in check.

"Timid Wat," as English folk call him, is a voracious feeder. He grazes closer even than a sheep, and, like the sheep, delights to season his grasses with tender bark and buds. Curiously enough, when forage is most plenty, from April to October, he is leanest and lankest, unfit for eating if full grown, but deliciously toothsome if young. The minute frost falls he begins to fatten. Three nights of it put him in prime condition. He seldom feeds then save at night. Indeed that is his favorite feeding time. From March to mid-May he prefers the earliest morning in which to ravage gardens.

All winter long he keeps fat and saucy, nibbling buds and bark and searching the desolate cornfields for overlooked nubbins or grazing off the tenderest stalks of springing winter wheat. He haunts orchards, too, not only for scattered apples, but to nip low hanging boughs and to girdle young trees. Unchecked he will quickly and surely destroy a whole newly set orchard. Indeed until the bark becomes hard he is a constant danger.

He is even a greater pest to the garden. Early peas, beets, potato slips, he devours in a night unless indeed the gardener has been wise enough to try homeopathic prevention—that is to say, unless as his peas and beets peeped above ground he killed a rabbit, tore it to pieces in a tub of water, then trailed a swab wet in the liquid all around the plot. "Timid Wat" has evidently a mighty keen nose. He will not pass the barrier until there falls a hard rain. Then, of course, it needs to be renewed. Similarly orchards are protected by running the trunks two feet up with a piece of fresh rabbit skin.

Rabbit mothers pluck a soft down from their own breasts to line the earthen burrows in which they rear their young. There are four or six of these in a litter and from six to eight litters a year. Like kittens, the young rabbits are blind at birth, but inside of a week they get use of eyes and limbs and in a fortnight are frisking about, seeing life on their own account. They begin to graze as soon as they leave the nest, which is nearly always exposed and but a few inches underground.

Snowfall develops in Br'er Rabbit a curious weather instinct. If he hops about, browsing and frisking, you may be sure there will come but a very few inches of snow; if he crouches snugly in a grass tuft, then look out for at least a foot. As he crouches he moves gently back and forth, now a little on this side, now on that. Thus he shapes for himself a snow chamber a little bigger than his own body. By and by the deepening snow arches it over, but his warm breath melts a tiny hole in the roof, thus preventing suffocation. Sometimes it is two days before the furry occupant leaves this refuge. By that time the snow is commonly crusted over hard enough to bear his weight.

When snow lies thus, rabbit hunters look close for the breathing holes. Once found there are two ways open. One, the pot hunter's, is to fall flat upon the hole and grab Br'er Rabbit as he bursts up through the snow, swing him thrice around the head, then knock out his brains. The other, the sportsman's, is to rout the cottontail, but give him a chance for his life, never slipping a dog in chase until he has a fair 30 yards start. Both methods are practiced so successfully every snowy winter it is a slothful farmhouse indeed anywhere in the rabbit countries which does not have rabbits by the dozen to broil or stew or smother.—New York Sun.

A NEW YORK CRŒSUS.

Egyptian Caravan Trip That He Projected and Abandoned.

"Some years ago," said a St. Louis man, "I spent a winter in Cairo, Egypt, and while I was there a young New Yorker arrived who was the talk of the place as long as he staid. He had nothing but money, was not afraid to burn it and was exceedingly fond of the smell of the smoke it made. A diverting series of balls, dinners and slumming parties followed his advent, and he finally announced his intention of bringing his pyrotechnic career in the country of the pharaohs to a fitting close by making the journey to the second cataract of the Nile. No dahabeah being available to make the trip in by water—they all having been engaged by more farsighted travelers—the young Crœsus perforce elected to make his trip by caravan and straightway started out to make it the most gorgeous and complete caravan that had ever crossed the desert, and he succeeded. For days all Cairo talked about it, and the morning set for the leave taking all Cairo turned out on the outskirts of the city to see the start. It went off with great pomp and circumstance, and, as the camels disappeared over the desert sands, we made our way back to Shepheard's hotel.

"On account of the great heat of the middle of the day in Egypt a caravan journeys in the early morning and in the evening. During the heat of the noon hours the tents are pitched, and men and beasts get through it as best they can. Judge of our surprise that evening when that gorgeous caravan again appeared in Cairo and announcement was made that the trip had been definitely given up. One of the guests explained the trouble later. It seemed that when luncheon was served the host drank off a glass of champagne and jumped to his feet in a rage. 'Where's the ice?' he demanded of his terrified valet, who was acting as butler. 'Ice, sir! How can you get ice in such a place as this?' replied the servant.

"'Do you mean to say I've got to drink hot champagne for two months?' his irate master demanded. And upon being informed that he had he promptly ordered the caravan back to Cairo, despite the protests of his guests and that by so doing he had expended $10,000 for nothing."—New York Tribune.

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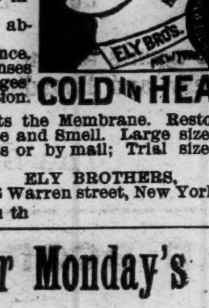

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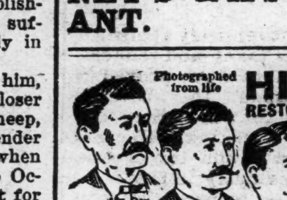

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Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of David D. Southerland, this is to notify all persons indebted to said intestate to make immediate payment to me, and all to whom he was indebted to present their claims to me by or before the 1st day of December, 1901, or this notice will be plead in bar of recovery.

This 30th November, 1900.

M. F. CROOM,
Administrator David D. Southerland.
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DR. PIERCE'S GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY FOR THE BLOOD, LIVER, LUNGS.

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CORSETS—We have just bought a line of Warner's Sample Corsets that we will sell at one half price of wholesale cost, and the styles represent all the new things in Corsets—Straight Fronts, Girdle Corsets, Short Corsets, etc. The wholesale cost was from $8.50 to $22.50 per dozen. My price is from 45c to 75c. Just think, a new up-to-date Corset in black or white, worth $2.00, for 75c. Also, Warner's Nursing Corset as low as 59c, and Misses' Corsets worth 50c for 29c, any size from 18c to 26c. We carry a full line of Warner's, R. & G. Corsets, F. P's. and other good brands at all prices.

JUST BOUGHT to-day 15 dozen very fine Ladies' Untrimmed Hats. We do not hesitate to say, the finest line of Ladies' Hats ever been in North Carolina. These Hats are worth from $18.00 to $42.00 per dozen, made of Cheneille Silk, Velvet and Corded Braid. My prices on these Hats are from $1.00 to $2.50 each. Any Lady wanting a very fine Hat at a very low price will do well to see this lot.

JUST RECEIVED a big line new Capes, Cloaks and Furs. A fine Clip-Coney Fur Collarette with 2 heads and 4 tails, for $1.98. A Ladies' nice Fur Cape at $2.00. A Ladies' Fur Cape with heads and tails attached at $3.50. Red and Gray Fox Collarettes with head and tails, for $4.00. Fine Fur Muff and Collarette to match, in Red and Gray Fox, for $12.50 a set.

TOYS—On Monday morning we will begin displaying the grandest line of Toys ever shown in Wilmington. Remember we have always shown more Toys each year than any other store, and we've laid in a better supply this year than ever. We would ask all our wholesale customers to call on us, as we can suit you in quantity, quality and price.

LADIES' CAPES—Just received a large shipment of new Capes for School Girls. We have 25 fine Beaver Cloth Capes in red, blue, brown, tan and black, made up-to-date with straps and buttons and large, strong collars, a very pretty Cape for Misses and Young Ladies, at $1 98. We have all grades—a good, heavy Fur Trimmed Cape as low as 75c.

IN OUR MILLINERY DEPARTMENT we have many good things to show. Just received a new shipment of "Lady Smith" Hats first sold at $1.00, now 69c. We have plenty of things to sell cheap in the way of Underwear, also.

THE BUSY SEASON is now on, and we are offering special values in every department. Our Big New Store is packed full of goods, and you can get your memorandum filled here, whatever you may want, and get the very best value for your money.

REMEMBER OUR PRESENTS. We are giving away free with your purchases Chairs, Tables, Lounges, Desks, Crockery, Fancy China, Glassware, etc. Come and bring your card or get a new one and have your purchases punched and get a present.

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GEO. O. GAYLORD,

PROPRIETOR.

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STATEMENT OF

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At the Close of Business Sept. 5th, 1900. Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.

Loans		$ 840,613.23
Overdrafts		36.83
U. S. Bonds (at par)		216,100.00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000.00
Due from app'd res've agt's	$ 32,483.49	
Due from other banks	162,145.02	
Cash on hand	98,592.78	—293,221.29
Total		$1,359,971.35

LIABILITIES.

Capital		$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits		108,307.65
Circulation		95,100.00
Deposits U. S. Treas.	$120,875.00	
Deposits from Banks	179,645.47	
Deposits from individuals	731,043.23	—1,031,563.70
Total		$1,359,971.35

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Sept. 5 '98.	Sept. 5, '99.	Sept. 5, 1900
Total deposits	$531,800	$867,100	$1,031,500
Surplus and net profits	83,200	95,900	108,300
U.S. bonds at par	45,100	95,600	216,100

Dividends Paid—6 Per Cent. Per Annum

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FLORIDA WEST SAL INDIA SHORT LINE

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Between New York, Tampa, Atlanta, New Orleans & Points South & West.

Schedule in Effect June 3rd, 1900.

TRAIN 41 Leaves Wilmington at 3:05 P. M., arrives Lumberton 5:14 P. M., Pembroke 5:35 P. M., Maxton 6:06 P. M., Hamlet 7:05 P. M., Wadesboro 8:15 P. M., Monroe 9:20 P. M., Charlotte 10:20 P. M., Athens, Ga., 3:43 A. M., Atlanta 6:05 A. M.

Close connection at Atlanta for Montgomery, Mobile, New Orleans and all points in Texas, Mexico and California; also for Chattanooga, Nashville, Louisville, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago, and Western and Northwestern points. Connects at Hamlet with train No. 27 for Columbia, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa and other Florida points; also with train 44 for Raleigh, Petersburg, Richmond, Washington, Baltimore and New York. Other trains leave Hamlet as follows: Train No. 31 (Florida Limited) for Columbia and points South at 6:30 A. M. Train No. 403 for Monroe, Charlotte, Lincolnton, Shelby and Rutherfordton, Athens, Atlanta and all points southwest at 6 30 A. M. Train No. 38 for Raleigh, Norfolk and points North at 8:05 A. M. Train No. 66 for Raleigh, Richmond and points North at 9:20 A. M.

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TRAIN 38 Leaves Hamlet at 8:20 A. M., arrives Maxton 9:05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon. This train takes passengers at Hamlet from train No. 81 (Florida Limited) leaving Richmond at 10:49 P. M. and arriving at Hamlet at 6:45 A. M.; from train No. 403 leaving Norfolk at 9:30 P. M., arriving at Hamlet at 7:10 A. M.; from train No. 38 leaving Atlanta at 9:00 P. M. and Charlotte at 5:45 A. M., arriving at Hamlet at 7:45 A. M.

Other trains arrive at Hamlet as follows: Train 402 from Atlanta, Rutherfordton, Shelby, Lincolnton, Charlotte and Monroe at 9:37 P. M.; train No. 41 from Portsmouth at 7:10 P. M.; train No. 27 from Richmond and points North at 10.27 P. M.; train No. 44 from Columbia and points South at 9.40 P. M., and train No. 66 from Columbia and points South at 9 00 A. M.

For tickets, sleepers, etc., apply to Thos. D. Meares, General Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

E. ST. JOHN,
Vice President and General Manager
V. E. McBEE, Gen'l Superintendent.
L. S. ALLEN, Gen'l Pass. Agent.
General Offices Portsmouth Va. je 7 tf

Foreclosure Sale.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Mortgage bearing date of July 21st, 1900, executed by Henry Green and wife, Mary, to the Wilmington Homestead and Loan Association and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover county in Book 28 page 409 et seq., the undersigned will expose for sale, at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, at the Court House door in the city of Wilmington, N. C., on Monday, the 17th day of December, A. D. 1900, at 12 o'clock M. the following described property situate in the city of Wilmington, N. C., and bounded and described as follows:

First Lot—Beginning in the northern line of Wooster street one hundred (100) feet westwardly from the eastern line of Ninth street, and running thence eastwardly along said northern line of Wooster street fifty (50) feet, thence northwardly parallel with Ninth street one hundred and ten (110) feet, thence westwardly parallel with Wooster street fifty (50) feet, thence southwardly parallel with Ninth street one hundred and ten (110) feet to the northern line of Wooster street, the point of beginning. The same being part central portions of Lots 5 and 6, Block 67, according to the official plan of said city of Wilmington.

Second Lot—Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet south of the southern line of Ann street, runs thence south with the eastern line of Seventh street 33 feet, thence east parallel with Ann street 135 feet to Wilson street, thence north with the western line of Wilson street 33 feet, thence west parallel with Ann street 135 feet to the beginning; being northwestern part of Lot No. 2, Block 119, according to the plans of said city of Wilmington.

Dated this 12th November, 1900.

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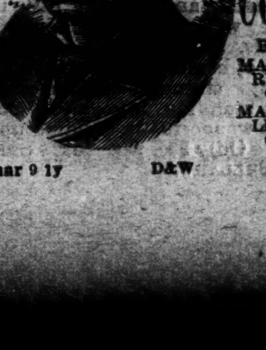

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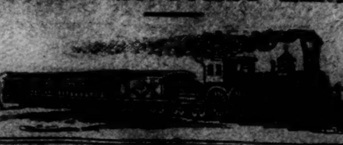

Schedule In Effect Nov. 25, 1900.

DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.35 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.10 A. M., Warsaw 11.24 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.18 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.48 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.31 P. M., Richmond 7.25 P. M., Norfolk 6.15 P. M., Washington 11.20 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.0 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.36 P. M., Warsaw 8.48 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 6.46 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.58 P. M., Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.35 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9 12 P. M., Columbia 10.35 P. M., Denmark 5 55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 2 45 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 11.10 A. M., Tampa 6.45 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.48 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.25 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.20 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 8.55 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.12 P. M., Richmond 6.50 P. M., Petersburg 7.25 P. M., †Norfolk 3.20 P. M., Weldon 9.06 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.15 A. M. Leave Wilson 5.57 A. M., Goldsboro 6.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.38 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newborn 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.50 A. M., Sanford 2.30 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 6.48 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.05 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.35 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.12 P. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.25 P. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.20 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.30 P. M.

*Daily except Sunday.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.05 A. M. Maxton 9.15 A. M., Red Springs 9.51 A. M., Hope Mills 10.35 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.45 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.12 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.00 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.20 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.20 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6 45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.31 A. M., Dillon 10.42 A. M., Rowland 10.58 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.06 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.28 P. M., Latta 6.42 P. M., Pee Dee 7.08 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.15 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 5.35 P. M., Manning 6.04 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.43 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., †7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; †4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; †5.35 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.00 P.M.; arrive Darlington 8.25 P. M., Bennettsville 9.22 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.59 P. M., 10.40 P. M., arrive Selma 2.48 P. M. 11.18 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 12.39 A. M., Rowland 6.06 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 1022 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 11.35 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 12.13 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.05 A. M., Creston 4.54 A. M., arrive Denmark 5.55 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.29 P. M., Creston 5.32 P. M., Sumter 6.24 P M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrive Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leave Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrive Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 1.50 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

H. M. EMERSON,
Gen'l Passenger Agent.
J. R. KENLY, Gen'l Manager.
T. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager.
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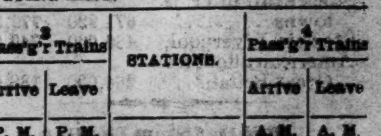
Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad.

Time Table No. 16.



To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
2 Pass'g'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro........	11 05	....
....	4 22	Kinston........	10 12	....
5 40	5 50	Newbern........	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	7 22	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 8.

CONTRACTS FOR WARSHIPS.

Bids Opened at the Navy Department for Construction of Five Battleships and Six Cruisers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—Never since the birth of the new navy has there been such a gathering of ship-builders, and metal kings as were assembled in the office of the Secretary of the Navy at noon to-day to witness the opening of bids for an amount of naval construction which Secretary Long denominated as the greatest industrial event this, or any other country had ever seen, involving the placing of contracts for about $50,000,000. The secretary left the cabinet meeting to preside at the ceremony, and associated with him were the chiefs of the great naval bureaus, Admiral Hichborn, Admiral Melville, Admiral O'Neil and others.

There were eight bidders, and most of the bids were well within the limit of cost allowed by Congress for the ships. The notable feature was the attempt on the part of the younger and smaller concerns to break the line of the old organizations which have constructed all of the heavy vessels of the new navy up to this time.

Secretary Long expressed himself as pleased with the result of the bidding and that the bids were very liberal. The bids were for five new battleships and six armored cruisers, aggregating a total dispiscement of 154,000 tons. Of the battleships, namely, the Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, Virginia and Rhode Island, three are to be sheathed and coppered, and will carry superimposed turrets; the other two are to be unsheathed vessels, having the "quadrilateral arrangement" of 8-inch turrets.

The sheathed vessels are to be of 15,000 tons displacement, with a length of 435 feet, breadth of 76 feet 10 inches, and greatest draft of 26 feet. The unsheathed ships are slightly smaller, and on the same length are seven and one-half inches narrower and four hundred tons less displacement. Both classes of battleships will compare with any in the world, not only afloat but projected.

THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES

Renewed Activity in Operations of American Forces—Several Engagements in Luzon With Filipinos.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, December 7.—More activity is shown in the operations in northern and southern Luzon.

General Funston, with Troop A of the Fourth cavalry and a score of scouts, last Thursday encountered 100 insurgents posted on the opposite bank of the Nehico river. The Americans charged across the stream, and the enemy retreated, firing from under cover. They left four of their number dead on the field. A native who was captured reported that Fagin, a deserter from the Twenty fourth infantry, who has been active with the Filipinos, with a party of two cavalrymen, had been wounded.

Lieutenant Morrow with fifty men from the Forty seventh regiment, attacked and occupied Bulacan. While returning, these troops encountered Colonel Victoris, occupying an entrenched position, with thirty rifles and three hundred bolomen. Lieutenant Morrow's force charged and drove the enemy from their position, inflicting, it is believed, heavy loss upon them. Preceding the fight the expedition had captured Major Flores and several of his followers.

An engagement is reported to have occurred near San Roque, in which, according to the natives, fifty rebels were killed.

Several minor encounters and captures are also reported. The American casualties have been very slight.

The island of Bohul has recently been the scene of more activity on the part of the insurgents than formerly, and a company has been sent to reinforce the battalion stationed there.

THE WORLD'S COTTON.

Total Visible Supply as Compared With the Supply of Last Year.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, December 7.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's supply of cotton shows the total visible is 3,567,917 against 4,103,177 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 3,016,917 against 3,531,777 last year and of all other kinds including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 551,000 against 582,000 last year.

The total world's supply of cotton shows a decrease compared with last year of 555,860.

Of the world's visible supply there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe 1,717,000 against1, 850,000 last year in Egypt 144,000 aga inst 170,000 last year; in India, 192,000 against 206 000 last year and in the United States 1,515,000 against 1,878,000 last year.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

For the Week Ending Friday, December 7th, 1900.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 7.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending December 7, 1900:

	1900.	1899.
Net receipts at all U. S ports during the week.....	301,218	248,036
Total receipts to this date.....	3,651,923	3,265,283
Exports for week..	266,487	116,467
Total exports to date	2,607,516	2,098,666
Stock in all U. S. ports.	818,305	1,055,092
Stock at all interior towns.....	671,920	772,316
Stock in Liverpool,	486,000	749,000
American afloat for Great Britain ...	264,000	138,000

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NICARAGUA BILL IN THE SENATE.

Entire Executive Session Occupied With Its Consideration.

MR. TELLER'S CONTENTION.

House Passed the Grout Oleomargarine Bill to Prevent the Fraudulent Sale of Imitation Butter--War Revenue Reduction Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Practically the entire legislative day in the Senate was consumed by an executive session, devoted to considering Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

Senator Gallinger presented a telegram from the Southern Industrial Convention to the President of the Senate, transmitting the following resolutions:

"That the upbuilding of our American merchant marine is very important to the further development of Southern industry, and therefore, we recommend to our national Congress the early passage of a Ship Subsidy bill for all American vessels, which shall be equitably based upon the tonnage actually carried, besides compensation for carrying the mails."

Senator Gallinger adverted to the alarming prevalence of typhoid fever in the District of Columbia. He declared that the death rate in this city from that disease was seven or eight times as great as in European cities of the same class.

At 12:35 the Senate went into executive session and at 3:20 adjourned.

The developments in executive session were:

An agreement on the part of the Senate to vote on the amendment to the Nicaragua canal bill offered by the committee on Foreign Relations providing for the policing of the canal, on next Thursday at 3 o'clock.

An amendment was offered by Senator Teller striking out the treaty prohibition against the fortification of the Nicaragua canal when constructed.

Senator Morgan concluded his speech of yesterday, going over the same ground.

Senator Teller spoke about two hours. His amendment is to strike out the sentence "No fortifications shall be erected commanding the canal or the waters adjacent."

Senator Teller contended that if the United States desires to build the canal it should proceed to do so without trying to secure the consent of Great Britain. He said that the opinion of Secretary Hay, that the abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty was necessary as a preceding performance, after all was only the opinion of one man. He also showed that in some instances there had been breaches of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. He quoted Secretary Everett and Secretary Blaine to sustain his position.

Senator Teller expressed the opinion that Great Britain never would permit her resentment of independent action by the United States to lead her to begin hostilities, because her interests in maintaining peace with this country is too great; but he argued that to ask England's assent to the construction of the canal was to admit that that country had a right to express its dissent. That position, he said, never would be accepted by the people of this country.

House of Representatives.

The House to day passed the Grout Oleomargarine bill by a vote of 198 to 92. The substitute offered by the minority of the Committee on Agriculture, which imposed additional restrictions on the sale of oleomargarine to prevent its fraudulent sale as butter and increased the penalties for violators, was defeated by a vote of 113 to 178.

The bill as passed makes all articles known as oleomargarine, butterine, imitation butter or imitation cheese transported into any State or Territory for consumption or sale subject to the police power of such State or Territory, but prevents any State or Territory from forbidding the transportation or sale of such product when produced and sold free from coloration in imitation of butter. The bill increases the tax on oleomargarine colored in imitation of butter from two to ten cents per pound and decreases the tax on oleomargarine uncolored from two cents to a quarter of a cent per pound.

Mr. Grout produced figures to show that oleomargarine cost less than nine cents per pound and was worked off on the public by the retailer at from eighteen to thirty cents per pound.

An amendment was adopted providing that the act should go into effect July 1st, 1901.

Mr. Payne, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, gave notice at the close of the session that he would call up the War Revenue Reduction act after the disposal of the Legislative Appropriation bill next week, probably on Tuesday.

TUG JOHN S. DEERING

Foundered Off Hatteras—Survivors Rescued by Brig C. C. Sweeney and Landed at New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 7.—The brig C. C. Sweeney, Captain Miller, from Brunswick, Ga., November 26th, lumber laden, arrived to-day, having on board a shiwrecked crew, consisting of Captain Charles Stephens and William Von Hatten, Reuben Doan and Emanuel F. Idey, surviving members of the crew of the tug John S. Deering, of Beaufort, S. C., which foundered November 27th off Cape Hatteras, in latitude 35 43, longitude 73.33, with the loss of the engineer, D. W. Douglass. The John S. Deering was bound from Elizabeth, N.C., homeward, and sailed Nov. 24th. Shortly after leaving port the wind set in strong from the south and increased to a gale. The tug weathered the gale and heavy sea till the next night (Sunday) at 9 o'clock, when she was struck by a heavy sea which broke completely over her and carried away the pilot house and deck house, opened the seams and started the vessel to leaking badly. The fires were put out, rendering the engine useless and the tug drifted helplessly with the gale. All hands bailed with buckets to prevent her sinking till Tuesday morning the 27th, when the brig C. C. Sweeney hove in sight and took on board the exhausted men. It is supposed that Douglass, the engineer, was carried off by a giant wave which wrecked the tug. He was about 48 years old and belonged at Charleston, S. C.

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IN PURSUIT OF DEWET.

Boer General's Force Said to Be Hard Pressed—The British Reconcentrado Policy.

By Cable to the Morning Star

LONDON, December 7.—A dispatch from General Kitchener, dated Bloemfontein, December 7th, confirming the news from Aliwalnorth, Cape Colony, of yesterday's date (saying General DeWet's main force is hard pressed), adds that General Knox captured the Krupp gun which DeWet abandoned near the Caledon river and continued in pursuit of DeWet.

The dispatch also says that while the British were handing over women, at the request of the Boers, under a flag of truce, at Belfast, Wednesday, December 5th, a force of 100 Boers unsuccessfully attacked a neighboring infantry post.

JOHANNESBURG, December 7.—In pursuance of the reconcentrado policy the authorities here are preparing the race course for 4,000 people from farms in the vicinity of the Rand. The burghers will be herded in a laager and will be strictly watched.

A notification appears in the *Gazette* to the effect that all able bodied British subjects are liable to be conscripted for service in the Rand Rifles.

CAPE TOWN, December 7.—Owing to the attempts of sympathizers to communicate with the Boer prisoners at Green Point Camp, Maxim guns have been placed in position on the surrounding heights, in readiness for a disturbance.

HEIDELBORGE, TRANSVAAL COLONY, December 4.—The Boers are driving the Boer women and children from their homes because their kinsmen refuse to fight any longer. Forty women and children, ill-clad and hungry, were brought in by the British to day.

ALIWALNORTH, CAPE COLONY, December 7.—After the fight at Sterk Spruit, General DeWet doubled south during the night, crossed the Caledon river, marched to Odendal Drift, where he found the stream impassable, turned east and marched along the north bank of the Orange river until within fifteen miles of Aliwalnorth, and then turned northeast in the direction of Rouxville. General Knox dogged his steps the whole day. DeWet's forces were thoroughly exhausted. Three hundred of their dead and dying horses were counted between the Smithfield road and the Orange river.

SITUATION IN COTTON.

New Orleans Cotton Exchange Statement. Increase in Movement into Sight. Receipts and Exports.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., December 7.—Secretary Hester's weekly cotton exchange statement issued to-day shows an increase in the movement into sight, compared with the seven days ending this date last year, in round figures of 64,000 bales. For the seven days of December the totals show an increase over last year of 64,000. For the ninety eight days of the season that have elapsed the aggregate is ahead of the ninety-eight days of last year's 364,000.

The amount brought into sight during the past week has been 441,131 bales, against 377,041 for the seven days ending December 7th last year.

The movement since September 1st shows receipts at all United States ports 3,665,763, against 3,255,929 last year; overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada 530,609, against 660,889 last year; interior stocks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year 605,514, against 509,439 last year; Southern mill takings 458,295, against 470,440 last year.

Foreign exports for the week have been 259,039 against 109,370 last year.

Northern mill takings and Canada during the past seven days show a decrease of 69,500 as compared with the corresponding period last year.

The total takings of American mills, North, South and Canada, thus far for the season, have been 1,276,896, against 1,581,618 last year.

Stocks at the seaboard and the twenty-nine leading Southern interior centers have increased during the week 51,523.

LYNCHING IN VIRGINIA.

Negro Who Assaulted a Young White Woman Tied to a Tree and Shot to Death by Citizens.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., December 7.—In the lower part of Wythe county, yesterday afternoon, a young white woman, Mrs. Robert Fisher, was criminally assaulted by a negro man named Daniel Long, aged 23 years. The outrage was committed after the victim had been choked into insensibility, and the negro escaped.

The whole country side was soon aroused, however, and last night Long was arrested by officers at his home in Ivanhoe, a mining town three miles from the scene of the outrage. Another negro, named Lewis Hall, who was with him, was also arrested. The two were taken before Mrs. Fisher, who immediately identified Long, and the officers started with him for the jail. Almost immediately, however, they were confronted by an undisguised crowd of about a hundred men, who took Long from them and after allowing him time to pray, attempted to hang him to the limb of a tree. The rope broke twice, and then the negro was tied to a tree and shot to death.

Long implicated Hall, declaring that Hall was watching for him, and the latter would also have been lynched but for the earnest pleading of Mr. Thomas Blair, a prominent farmer. A compromise was reached in the case of Hall, the crowd tearing his clothes from his body and whipping him unmercifully.

A WOMAN MURDERED.

If Her Assailant is Caught Lynching Will Be the Result.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ROME, GA., Dec. 7.—Mrs. Joseph White was found dead this afternoon on her farm twelve miles west of here. Mrs. White's head was crushed and her body denuded.

She went out in the field to work this morning and it is supposed that she was attacked and criminally assaulted. Sheriff Camp, of this place, is working on the case. The community is greatly excited and if the assailant is caught lynching will probably be the result.

In response to Secretary Hay's representations, through United States Ambassador Choate, the British Foreign Office has replied that authorities at Hong Kong have been unable to discover a Filipino junta there.

Prof. Simon Carson Wells, senior member of the faculty of Roanoke College, died yesterday. Funeral services will be held Sunday.

THE NETHERLANDS AND PORTUGAL.

Rupture of Relations Between the Two Countries That May Prove Serious.

DUE TO BRITISH INTRIGUE.

King Charles' Toast to Queen Victoria at a Banquet in Lisbon Emphasized the Tension--Mr. Kruger's Welcome at The Hague.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LISBON, Dec. 7.—The minister of the Netherlands to Portugal and the Portuguese minister at The Hague have left their respective posts. It is believed that a difference has arisen on the subject of the exequatur to the Dutch consul at Lorenzo Marques, which the Portuguese government has withdrawn.

Alliance With England.

LISBON, Dec. 7.—The tension between Portugal and Holland appears to have been emphasized, perhaps not unintentionally, by the peculiar warmth of King Charles' toast to Queen Victoria at the banquet given yesterday evening, at the royal palace, to Vice Admiral Harry Holdsworth Rawson and the officers of the British fleet now in the river Tagus, and by the telegram which the King afterwards sent to Victoria, thanking her for sending the fleet and for the friendship thus demonstrated.

"I beg to record," telegraphed the King, "my great satisfaction at the frank and loyal alliance, uniting England and Portugal."

In the course of his speech, when he toasted Queen Victoria, the King said, among other things: "England has often shared the efforts and glories of Portugal. Our mutual friendship and close alliance are strengthened by history and the blood shed together in causes which have always been just."

Admiral Rawson replied that the words of the King harmonized with the thoughts of the government and people of Great Britain.

Observers think that the speech and telegram constitute an intimation to the world that Portugal can count on strong support if necessary.

British Intrigue.

MADRID, December 7.—The *Imparcial* says it considers the rupture of relations between Holland and Portugal very serious. It adds that it was due to the intrigues of Great Britain, further asserting that Portugal is now under the tutelage of Lord Salisbury.

Kruger at The Hague.

THE HAGUE, December 7.—While it is not denied that the minister of the Netherlands at Lisbon and the minister of Portugal here are temporarily leaving their posts, it is semi-officially declared that there is no question of the ministers being re-called. It is explained that Count de Selir, the Portuguese minister, is proceeding to Lisbon on a few days' visit to verbally explain the difficulties which have arisen in connection with the Netherlands consul, Herr Pott, at Lorenzo Marques.

The presidents of both chambers have sent letters to Mr Kruger welcoming him in the name of the States General. While the president of the lower house merely expresses sympathy, the president of the Senate expresses approval of the noble purpose of Mr. Kruger, attempting to put a stop to the unjust war forced upon him in such a barbarous manner, and hopes it will result in the independence of the republics being assured forever.

Mr. Kruger is receiving various officials and the enthusiasm of the crowds outside compels frequent appearances on the balcony.

An official request has been transmitted to Queen Wilhelmina for an audience.

DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Woman's Building at the State Convict Farm Near Milledgeville, Ga.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MILLEDGEVILLE, GA., Dec. 7.—The woman's building at the State convict farm near here was destroyed by fire late this afternoon. The flames were first discovered in the hospital and are supposed to have been of incendiary origin. All the inmates of the building were gotten out in safety, and with the help of volunteers from this city the flames were prevented from spreading. In the excitement some of the convicts made a dash for liberty and several of them escaped.

WARM WIRELETS.

Emperor Nicholas, according to the St Petersburg correspondent of the London *Times*, is again attending to state business.

Li Hung Chang has informed General Chaffee that he and all the people of the province of Chihli are extremely pleased and gratified at the behavior of the American troops toward the Chinese.

The transport Rawlins leaves New port News this morning with about 250 recruits for short handed regiments in Cuba. She will land them at Neuvitas and Matanzas and then return to Galveston, Texas, and take another load of recruits to Santiago.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union convention came to a close last night. A resolution was adopted declaring the union should work for the adoption of a constitutional amendment prohibiting polygamy.

Total bank clearings at the principal cities of the United States for the week ending yesterday were $2,253,620,544; an increase of 15.3 per cent. as compared with a year ago. Total, outside of New York, $779,664,935, or 4.4 per cent.

Henry K. Hayden, vice president of the New York Central and Hudson River railroad, jumped or fell from the fourth story of his residence in New York city and was killed. He was a director in many large railroad and other enterprises and a number of clubs and associations.

Monsignor Sharrotti, bishop of Havana, has published an official letter announcing that he will suspend, *ipso facto*, priests who attend or participate in meetings held in opposition to him, as well as those who aid or abet opposition, directly or indirectly.

The annual report of the commissioner general of immigration shows that during the last fiscal year the total number of immigrants who arrived in this country was 448,572, of which 23,200 came through Canada. Of the whole number 304,148 were males and 144,424 females.

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WAR REVENUE TAXES.

Report of the Ways and Means Committee Favoring a Reduction of About Forty Millions.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—Chairman Payne, of the Ways and Means Committee, late this afternoon submitted the report of that committee, signed by all the Republican members, in favor of the bill reducing the war revenue taxes about $40,000,000. The report says, in part:

"We find it still necessary to maintain an army of a hundred thousand men until law and order is fully restored in all our possessions. We find it also necessary to provide troops to man the fortifications which we have been building the past few years, and also to provide a sufficient force in the navy to man the vessels we have recently added. The increasing navy, too, brings new necessities.

"The report of the Secretary of the Treasury for the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1900, shows a surplus of $79,527,060. His estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1901, would leave an estimated surplus of eighty millions of dollars. For the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1902, his estimates leave an estimated surplus of only $36,258,237. For 1902 there is an estimated increase in the revenue of twenty-nine millions of dollars over the previous year, and an increase of expenditures of nearly eighty-three millions of dollars."

The committee deem it safe to make a reduction of about forty millions of dollars, while the Secretary of the Treasury in his report suggests a reduction of only thirty millions in the revenues.

The committee has entirely abolished the most vexatious taxes and reduced those which seem to have proved a great burden upon the several branches of trade to which they are applied. On beer a war tax of 85 cents a barrel was added to the tax of one dollar a barrel previously imposed.

"The committee believe that the amendment proposed in Section one of the bill making a net reduction of 25 cents per barrel gives the beer manufacturers all the relief to which they are entitled.

"In the war revenue act, the tax upon cigars, averaging more than three pounds in weight to the thousand was made $3.60. This sixty cents per thousand was very onerous to the manufacturers, especially those engaged in a small way and making the cheaper grade of cigar. It has been impossible to distribute any of this sixty cents in making a price to the consemer, and the factories had to bear the entire tax of over three millions of dollars last year. The committee have therefore reported an amendment reducing this tax at the rate of sixty cents per thousand."

The report then gives the changes in detail. The one cent tax on express receipts and telegraph messages has caused more widespread annoyance and trouble than anything else in the act. The committee therefore have stricken these taxes from the law.

After this reduction of forty million dollars shall take effect, leaving a revenue of sixty-five million dollars under the war revenue act, that sum will be barely sufficient to meet the train of extraordinary expenditures which will follow the close of actual hostilities. We are certainly justified in maintaining the war revenue up to a point equal to the extraordinary expenses entailed by war.

LOOTING IN PEKIN.

Sir Claude McDonald and Wife Charged With Plundering Imperial Palace.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BERLIN, December 7.—The Pekin correspondent of the *Deutsche Zeitung* writes that several German marine officers discovered Sir Claude MacDonald, former British minister at Pekin, and Lady MacDonald personally superintending coolies who were carrying off treasures from the Chinese Imperial palace to the British legation buildings.

WEST VIRGINIA HOMICIDE.

Robert Bailey Shot and Killed by Charles Smith, a Tenant.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KENOVA, W. VA., Dec. 7.—Robert Bailey, a wealthy farmer and timber merchant along the Twelve Pole river, was shot and instantly killed to-day by Charles Smith at the home of the latter. Smith was a renter of Bailey and no one was present at the trouble, except his immediate family. The supposition is that they quarrelled over a debt which Smith owed Bailey.

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